

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-30. Please add the following new claims:

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31. A powder coating material spray gun having an electrode to charge powder coating material to a first electrical polarity and including a component which is contacted by powder flowing through the spray gun, wherein the component is constructed from a tribocharging material which tribocharges the powder coating material to said first electrical polarity.

32. The spray gun of claim 31 wherein the first electrical polarity is a negative polarity.

33. The spray gun of claim 31 wherein the component is the spray nozzle.

34. The spray gun of claim 31 wherein the tribocharging material comprises a negative tribocharging material selected from the group consisting of: a polyamide, a polyamide resin blend, a fiber reinforced polyamide, an aminoplastic resin, an acetal polymer or mixtures thereof.

REMARKS

This application is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/724,363, filed November 28, 2000. The originally filed claims 1-30 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. New claims 31-34 have been added. No new matter has been added by this preliminary amendment. Support for claims 31-34 can be found on at least the following pages: 14-23.

As the original claims 1-30 have been canceled, the inventorship has been amended to delete inventors as indicated on the attached document.

If there are any additional fees due in connection with this matter, please charge our deposit account 03-0172.

Respectfully submitted,

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